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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PEPR US KS
SUBJ: BLUE HOUSE BUGGING

1. TENOR OF PRESS TREATMENT OF BLUE HOUSE BUGGING TODAY MAKES IT CLEAR THAT ROK HAS DECIDED TO CALL A HALT TO THE FUROR. FORMIN'S STATEMENT THAT MATTER IS SETTLED FOR THE PRESENT AND DRP ASSEMBLYMEN'S STATEMENTS THAT LETTER IS NOT ALL THAT COULD BE WISHED, BUT WILL BE ACCEPTED BOTH WIDELY REPORTED. IN SUM, PRESS STATES MATTER HAS BEEN SETTLED AT THE DIPLOMATIC LEVEL. EMBASSY BELIEVES MATTER WILL NOW WIND DOWN.

2. AT SAME TIME, PRESS CONTINUES TO POINT OUT THAT, IN TERMS OF THE CONCERNS OF KOREAN CITIZENS, PRESENT SOLUTION IS FAR FROM WHAT WAS REQUIRED. MAIN THRUST HERE IS THAT NO SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION WAS PROVIDED FOR WHY A FORMER AMBASSADOR WOULD MAKE A STATEMENT WHICH FLEW IN THE FACE OF THE PUBLIC POSITION OF HIS GOVERNMENT. HAVING MADE THESE POINTS, MOST COMMENT CONCLUDES THAT PRESENT SOLUTION IS PROBABLY BEST THAT CAN BE ACHIEVED.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES ROK HAS DECIDED TO COOL IT, BUT AT SAME TIME IS REMINDING US THAT RESOLUTION
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WAS NOT FULLY SATISFACTORY AND, IN EFFECT, THE US REMAINS IN DEBT TO THE ROK ON THIS ONE.
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